Emergency Medical Technician – Basic

Dept/Div: Emergency Medical Services/N/A FLSA Status: Non-Exempt

General Definition of Work

Performs skilled human support work responding to emergency calls, providing emergency medical services and transportation, preparing and maintaining detailed records, and related work as apparent or assigned. Work is performed under the moderate supervision of the EMS Lieutenant.

Qualification Requirements

To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential function satisfactorily. The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skill and/or ability required. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable an individual with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

Essential Functions

Responds to emergency medical service calls, drives equipment and administers first aid, transports victims to emergency care facilities.

Observes patient responses; maintains accurate and complete prehospital patient care reports.

Checks and restocks the ambulance for proper equipment and supplies.

Performs general maintenance work and upkeep on vehicles, apparatus, equipment, station and grounds.

Participates in Community Risk Reduction and Community Outreach activities.

Participates in continuing training and instruction program by individual study of technical material and attendance at scheduled drills and classes.

Performs the duties of a firefighter as needed or required.

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities

General knowledge of the principles and techniques of emergency care, , proper treatment and automobile extraction and transportation; general knowledge of the street system and geography of the County; ability to understand and follow oral and written instructions; ability to keep simple records and prepare reports; ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with associates and the general public.

Education and Experience

High school diploma or GED

Two (2) years' experience in providing emergency medical services

Physical Requirements

This work requires the regular exertion of up to 10 pounds of force, frequent exertion of up to 25 pounds of force and occasional exertion of up to 250 pounds of force; work regularly requires speaking or hearing and using hands to finger, handle or feel, frequently requires standing, walking, sitting and reaching with hands and arms and occasionally requires climbing or balancing, stooping, kneeling, crouching or crawling, pushing or pulling, lifting and repetitive motions; work has standard vision requirements; vocal communication is required for expressing or exchanging ideas by means of the spoken word; hearing is required to perceive information at normal spoken word levels; work requires preparing and analyzing written or computer data, visual inspection involving small defects and/or small parts, using of measuring devices, assembly or fabrication of parts within arm's length, operating machines, operating motor vehicles or equipment and observing general surroundings and activities; work frequently requires exposure to outdoor weather conditions and exposure to bloodborne pathogens and may be required to wear specialized personal protective equipment and occasionally requires working near moving mechanical parts and exposure to fumes or airborne particles; work is generally in a moderately noisy location (e.g. business office, light traffic).

Special Requirements

Possession of Virginia Emergency Medical Technician Basic

American Heart Association Basic Life Support

Emergency Vehicle Operator Class 3 (EVOC) certifications.

Possession of Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Incident Command System Classes 100, 200, 700, and 800 certifications.

Virginia Fire Fighter I and II certification desirable.

Must be released to practice by Department Operating Medical Director within 6 months of hire. Must meet and maintain all local, State, and Federal training and education requirements for position. Valid driver's license in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

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